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SUBJECT: **PROPOSITION A CONTRACTS – DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
DENTAL SERVICES (Board Agenda 12/18/07 Item 28)**

Item 28 on your Board's Agenda for December 18, 2007 is a request from the Department of Health Services (DHS) to approve four contracts for dental services at four comprehensive health centers. Three of the contracts, with Roger P. Fieldman, DDS, Inc. (Fieldman), are Proposition A contracts. The fourth contract, with Sullivan and Urban Dental Management Firm (Sullivan), includes both Proposition A covered services and services to HIV/AIDS patients which County Counsel has indicated are not subject to Proposition A.

We have reviewed and approved the Proposition A cost analyses prepared by DHS indicating the Proposition A contracts are cost effective. The hourly wages to be paid by Fieldman meet the County's Living Wage Ordinance requirements. Sullivan requested and was given an exemption to the Living Wage Ordinance. The contracts include increases of approximately 3.5% per year, which are not tied to County salary Cost of Living Adjustments. The contracts are cost effective even with the annual increases.

Please call me if you have any questions, or your staff may contact Jim Schneiderman at (626)293-1101.

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